

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS**

Appl. No. : 09/915,894 Confirmation No. 9084
Applicant : Sachin G. Deshpande & Renjit Thomas
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Examiner : Osman, Ramy M.

Docket No. : SLA1074
Customer No. : 52894

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Commissioner:

This amendment is filed with a Request for Continued Examination and the appropriate fee.

In response to the Office action of May 17, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.